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## FURTHER REMARKS

Restricted method claims 17-20 are offered for cancellation. As for the species requirement pertinent to withdrawn claim 4 and amended claim 15, although there is no undue search burden, the subject matter of base claims 3 and 11 is generic and allowable.

The phrase, "such as," would be deleted, obviating the new rejection of the final action under 35 USC 112, second paragraph.

As may apply to the present claims, the rejections set forth in the final action under 35 USC 102(b) of claims 1 and 5-9 over Takashima, US 6061957; claims 1, 5-9, 11 and 13-16 over Frey et al., US 4801213; and claims 1, 2 and 5-16 over Plone, US 5345622; and under 35 USC 102(e) of claims 1, 6-11 and 14 over Malone et al., US 2002/0081041 A1, are respectfully traversed. The subject matter of claims 1 and 2 is incorporated into newly independent base claim 3, which properly was not rejected under Sec. 102 over any of this art, and none of this art discloses the combination of a deployable bag and an industrial vacuum box container as particularly pointed out in present, independent base claim 11.

As may apply to the present claims, the new rejection of claims 2, 3 and 12 set forth in the final action under 35 USC 103(a) over Malone et al., in view of Bjelland, US 4124136, is respectfully traversed. The combination does not teach nor suggest the claimed invention to an ordinary artisan of the industrial vacuum box liner art under the meaning of Sec. 103(a). Neither reference relates to the field of the present invention, nor to the other, Malone et al. related to inflatable insulating liners for shipping individual hams, etc., Bjelland to handling of bulk cargo with a non-inflatable rail or truck liner. Neither was concerned with problems of lining of and avoiding entry into industrial vacuum boxes for wastes. Even if these were properly combinable, there is no motivation to make a larger, inflatable liner, nor a combination, as claimed. In fact, when liners would get larger, Bjelland teaches away, toward a non-inflatable liner.

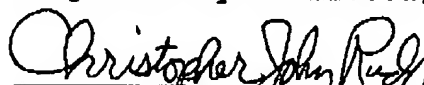
Please withdraw the species restriction and the rejections.

The subject matter in amended claims 14-16 and new claims 21-25 depends on claim 11, which is novel as noted above. These dependent claims present limitations as of present claims 3-9.

The case is in condition for allowance. Still, the Examiner is invited to seek authorization for an Examiner's amendment.

Respectfully submitted,

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